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1. The MOSCOW (37°32' E/55°47' N) Central Airport was in the northwestern sector of the capital, near an electric railway line of 5 tracks.
2. Obsolete German aircraft, US four-engine planes,\* and (presumably) jet aircraft were parked in the open. The following planes were also particularly noteworthy:
  - a. A plane similar in size and appearance to the Me-109, motor mounted in the rear, speed about 60 mph, retractable landing gear, two shock absorber legs forward of engine, apparently rigid; tail assembly also forward of engine
3. The Air Force Academy was east of the field and Leningrad Highway [REDACTED] A target range, built in 1946/1947, was in the basement of building No.1
4. Soviet officers(almost exclusively), presumably engineer officers, were quartered in the Air Force Academy. [REDACTED] served as drivers and assisted in the towing of aircraft from and to the airfield.

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The data on the aircraft stationed at the field is considered credible.

\* The four-engine US aircraft may have been commercial aircraft of type Tu-70 or Il-18.

\*\* Probably a canard airplane.

\*\*\* Probably a German J-52 "Mausi", the code name for mine-

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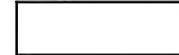
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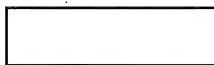


sweeping craft. Such a plane was previously mentioned in a report on IVANKOVY-PODOL'YE ZHd.

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The existence of the Air Force Academy was reported for the first time; it is possibly the Zhukovski Air Force Engineer Military Academy.

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1. Aircraft observed at the MOSCOW Central Airport.
2. MOSCOW Air Force Academy.
3. Range of the Air Force Academy.

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